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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

My name is steve morin a resident of new york and a student in massachusetts.

I am a computer science major and graduating this year and have been following the case since it's inception and the industry in general. I have been reading about the settlement and don't believe it effectively does a single thing. Any proposals that includes donations of free computing software by microsoft are unfair because it then allows them more of a grasp up up and coming users through the school system and costs them virtually nothing. More requests like the proposals, for them to make microsoft office for linux, and mac os's, and including the java environment with the operation system are moves in the right direction as far as curbing monopolistic practices. The current settlement is no more than a joke to microsoft, and evidence has indicated in publications that this sentiment is also shared by upper level microsoft management. I hope that the government takes more stringent measures in the Microsoft Settlement that actually encourages fair practices in buisness and to the benifit of the american people and non-forprofit organizations including protection of non-forprofit software and computer technology companies

Sincerely,
Steve Morin